

# House Study Bill 565 - Introduced

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BY (PROPOSED OFFICE OF  
OMBUDSMAN BILL)

## A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to investigations and disciplinary proceedings
- 2 of professional licensing boards.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 272C.3, subsection 1, paragraph d, Code  
2 2022, is amended to read as follows:

3 d. Determine in any case whether an investigation, or  
4 further investigation, or a disciplinary proceeding is  
5 warranted. ~~Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 17A,~~  
6 ~~a determination by a licensing board that an investigation~~  
7 ~~is not warranted or that an investigation should be closed~~  
8 ~~without initiating a disciplinary proceeding is not subject to~~  
9 ~~judicial review pursuant to section 17A.19.~~ Notwithstanding  
10 any other provision of law, if a board determines there is no  
11 probable cause to believe a violation has occurred, the board  
12 shall return the complaint to the complainant with a statement  
13 specifying the board's reasons for dismissal of the complaint  
14 sufficient to enable the complainant to review the board's  
15 determination.

16 EXPLANATION

17 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
18 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

19 This bill relates to investigations and disciplinary  
20 proceedings by professional licensing boards. The bill allows  
21 a board's determination that an investigation of a complaint  
22 is not warranted or that an investigation should be closed  
23 without disciplinary proceedings to be subject to judicial  
24 review. The bill also requires a board that determines that no  
25 probable cause exists for a complaint to return the complaint  
26 to the complainant with a statement specifying the reasons for  
27 dismissal.